

## House Resolution No. 2178

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through many years of excellence in the workplace; and

**Whereas**, Dennis James Akins, an esteemed resident of Maryville, Missouri, will officially retire from the Stanberry R-II School District on May 16, 2008, after a long and illustrious teaching career that has spanned an incredible twenty-five years; and

**Whereas**, Dennis Akins has played an integral role in the educational development of numerous Missouri youngsters as an educator with the Stanberry R-II School District for nineteen years, during which time he has served as Special Education Director, and as a Speech and Language Instructor; and

**Whereas**, during his impressive tenure, Dennis Akins earned the praise and respect of his colleagues and distinguished himself as a favorite among students and teachers alike; and

**Whereas**, prior to joining the Stanberry R-II School District, Dennis Akins gained an immeasurable amount of experience as a Special Education Director and Speech Therapist with the West Nodaway, King City, Union Star, and North Andrew school districts for six years; and

**Whereas**, Dennis Akins has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Karen; and his two sons, Jonathan and David:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Dennis Akins for his twenty-five years of unparalleled service to the Stanberry R-II School District and to the teaching profession; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dennis James Akins.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jim Whorton  
District No. 3

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 2178, adopted April 23, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker